GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
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IRON ORE RESERVES IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated iron ore reserve in Orissa;

(b) whether the Government has allocated iron ore mines to public/private sector steel plants;

(c) if so, the details thereof, steel plant-wise;

(d) whether any steel player has acquired more than the allocated area;

(e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the action proposed/taken in this regard;

(f) the balance of reserves remaining after allocation; and

(g) the requirement of companies for which 36 Memorandum of Understandings have been signed by the Government of Orissa for the production of steel in Orissa?

Answer

MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STEEL(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) As per information provided by the Government of Orissa, the estimated iron ore reserve in Orissa is about 6368 million tonnes.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The details regarding iron ore mines allocated by Government of Orissa in favor of Public Sector /Private Sector Steel Plants is at Annexure-A

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above

(f) The balance Iron ore reserve is about 4944.75 million tonnes.

(g) As per information furnished by Government of Orissa Memorandums of Understanding have been signed with 37 companies for production of steel and they have estimated the requirement of iron ore as 1627 million tonnes over 25 years.

Annexure-A

LIST OF PUBLIC/PVT. STEEL PLANT COMPANIES ALLOCATED IRON ORE LEASES IN THE STATE OF ORISSA

Sl.No.	Name of the Lessee	Location of the Lease	Area (Hects.)	Name of the Mineral	Iron Ore reserve in Million Tonnes
1.	M/s. SAIL	Bolani	1321.450	Iron Ore	263.240
2.	-do-	Bolani	1586.360	Iron Ore/Manganese	0.290
3.	-do-	Barsuan-Kalta	2486.382	-do-	380.440
4.	-do-	Toda R. F.	77.940	-do-	39.080

5. -do-	Toda R. F.	25.981	-do-	4.340	
6. -do-	Thakurani Block-A	277.683	Iron Ore	83.000	
		770.390			
7 M/s TISCO Ltd.	Khandabandha	1293.433	Iron/Manganese	88.62	
8. -do-	Katamati	403.323	Iron	115.94	
9. -do-	Joda East	671.093	Iron	195.10	
10. -do-	Joda West	1437.719	Iron/Manganese	45.00	
		444.66			
11. M/s MESCO Ltd.	Rolda-I	104.68	Iron	10.20	
12. -do-	Kadakala & Sundra	1519.98	Iron	88.00	
		98.20			
13. M/s NINL	Mithirda, Basada	1850.00	Iron	110.00	
Gr. Total :			1423.25		

(Source: Government of Orissa, Deptt. of Steel & Mines)